tax.   I guess I would have to say the basic reason for
this is that, certainly at a time when we are plagued
by surpluses and I think some unwise programs, it makes
a lot of sense to me to redouble our efforts on the
commodity programs in our attempts to try to find new
uses for those commodities and in that way increase the
farm income and dramatically, we hope, increase the
income of all Nebraska citizens.   I move for the adop-
tion of the amendment.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Senator Nichol.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Mr. Chairman and members of the Legis-
lature, Senator Schmit, what you are saying is that if
you grow a bushel of wheat and sell it to me, you pay
the checkoff and then when I sell it I pay the checkoff
too, right?

SENATOR BEUTLER: Senator Schmit, do you wish to respond?

SENATOR SCHMIT: No, you only pay, in this instance you
pay for the checkoff on the commodity when it moves its
final sale.   But what I am saying in this instance with
this amendment, Senator, is that on the farm, for example,
I have a thousand bushels of corn and it is in the govern-
ment reserve, and under the Payment in Kind program it
would be returned to me as a payment for leaving land
lay idle.   When I sell that grain, then even though I
had already once paid the tenth of a cent on it, I would
again be required to pay the tenth of a cent on it.

SPEAKER NICHOL: That is what your amendment says?

SENATOR SCHMIT: Yes.

SPEAKER NICHOL: I agree to that and I think that is the
way it should be, so I just wanted to make that clear.
Thank you, Senator Schmit.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Senator Kahle.

SENATOR KAHLE: Mr. President, just a word too to support
Senator Schmit.   I think it would be devastating to the
checkoff programs and the programs that they are working
with if this did not happen because you would lose one
year's production in a way.   So I think this is the only
fair way to do it.   We are in a kind of a crazy situation
with the PIK program and I think we will live through
it and I think we will see better times because of it
really by next year, but it will keep our program solvent
and I support it.   Thank you.